

Gasconade County SWCD

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2011 Annual Meeting

March 24, 2011

Owensville Middle School

3340 Hwy 19N

Owensville, MO 65066

- ♦ 5:00 - 7:30 Election Polls open
- ♦ 6:00 - 7:30 Dinner (catered by OES Kids)
- ♦ 7:30- 8:00 Awards Presentation
- ♦ 8:00 - 8:30 "Soil Health" Presentation
- ♦ 8:30 - Election Results

RSVP by *March 16, 2011*, to the Gasconade County SWCD at 573-437-3478 ext 3.

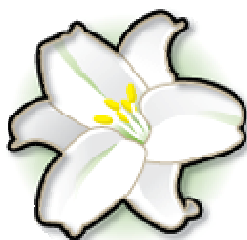


Board of Supervisors:

Ron Hardecke - Chairman
Curtis Koelling - Vice-Chairman
Gene Rademacher - Treasurer
Dennis Berger - Member
Robin Kliethermes - Secretary

District Staff:

Diana Mayfield - District Specialist II
Terry DuBois - District Technician II



NRCS Staff:

Melinda Barch - District Conservationist
Mark Brandt - Resource Conservationist
Kary Wolfe - Soil Conservationist
Megan Ordway - Soil Conservationist

MDC STAFF:

Kyle Lairmore, Private Lands Conservationist
Scott Williams, Fisheries Biologist
Aaron Holsapple - Forester

I'M SORRY!

A very important person was left out of the last newsletter for recognition of her 10 years of participation in the 4th Grade Field Days! That person was Brenda Kurrelmeyer!

She began working the field days as a Soil and Water Conservation District Technician and has since moved to the Farm Service Agency and she has hosted the 4th grade field day events for the last 6 years.

So...I am truly sorry that I dropped your name from the list - you are never forgotten!.



GCSWCD Streambank Grant Sign-up Deadline - January 27th

The Gasconade County Soil and Water Conservation District (GCSWCD) would like to announce the 2nd round of sign-ups for the Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative (CCPI) Grant for "Stabilizing Streambank Erosion Issues within the Bourbeuse Watershed in Gasconade County, Missouri." This CCPI grant will provide Gasconade County landowners an opportunity to utilize the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) funds to address streambank erosion on streams in the Bourbeuse Watershed, which is everything south of Hwy 28 within Gasconade County (see map).

The CCPI proposal was written as a five year program for a total of \$200,000 with \$40,000 being allocated each year as long as funds are available. There are additional State Cost-share funds available as long as the combined cost-share received does not exceed 75% of the state average cost.

Our FY10 project has been contracted and the designs are currently being reviewed. This first year has been one of learning and we feel that this next round will have a better understanding of the design process. We have changed the landowner limit from EQIP funds from \$20,000 to \$40,000 based on the cost estimates of last year's projects.

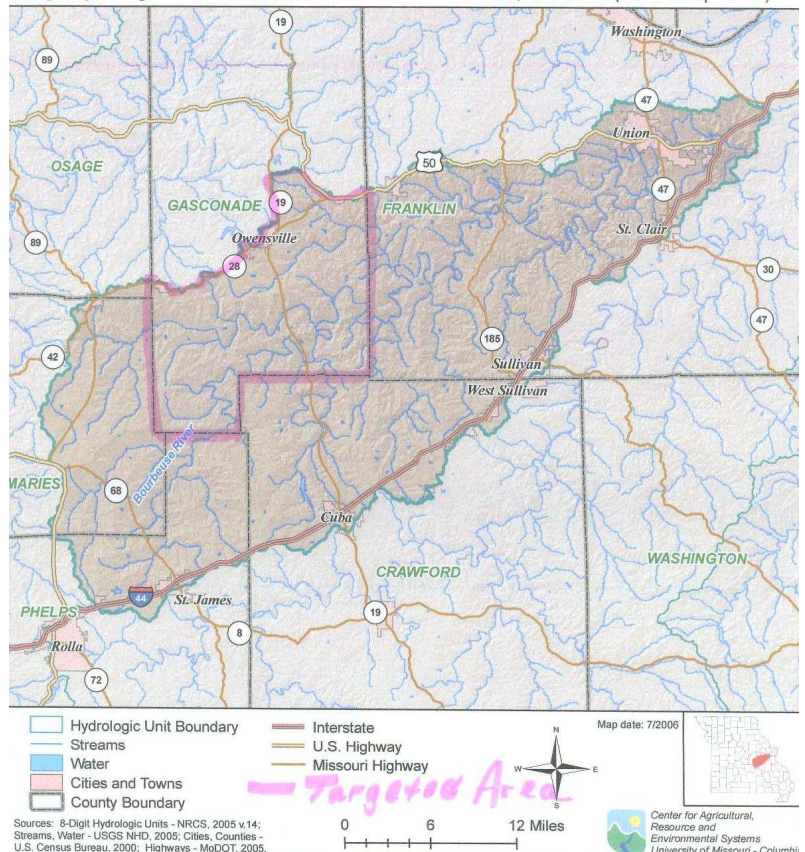
Technical assistance for the practices will be provided by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) with the assistance of the GCSWCD and the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC). Each site will be surveyed and designed to meet NRCS Standards and to determine estimated cost of the project. There is a ranking process which must be followed and the program is competitive.

Any landowner that falls within the project area and is dealing with streambank erosion issues should contact the GCSWCD at 573-437-3478 ext 3 by the close of business on January 27, 2011.

Bourbeuse

8-Digit Hydrologic Unit: 07140103

539,332 Acres (842.71 Sq. Miles)



Forage and Beef Conference

Monday, February 14, 2011

**Cuba, Missouri
Knights of Columbus
I-44 East – Hwy. UU Exit**

1:00 Registration

1:30 Genetic Decisions for Improved Beef Profits

Dr. Bob Weaber – MU Extension Beef Cattle Genetics Specialist

2:15 BREAK

2:45 Weed and Brush Control

Kevin Bradley – MU Extension, State Weed
Science Specialist

3:45 Producer Panel – What works for you?

Jeremia Markway
Bill Boever

4:45 BREAK

5:15 Southern Missouri Forages

Sarah Kenyon – MU Extension, Agronomy Specialist

6:00 Dinner

7:00 Factors that Affect the Profitability of Cow-calf Operations

Dr. Craig Payne – MU Extension veterinarian

8:00 Adjourn



RSVP by January 31, 2011 to the Crawford County Soil and Water Conservation District at 1-800-364-8732, ext. 3, or 573-364-6202, ext. 3.

****There is a \$10.00 per person charge for the conference – payable at the door.****

Sponsored by: Soil & Water Conservation Districts, University of Missouri Extension, Natural Resources Conservation Service in Crawford, Phelps, Dent, Maries, and Gasconade Counties, Maries County Bank and Branches, Crawford County Cattlemen's Association, Crawford County Farm Bureau, Dent County Farm Bureau, Gasconade County Farm Bureau, Phelps County Farm Bureau, Bank of Salem, Town and Country Bank in Rolla, St. James, Salem and Bourbon, Peoples Bank in Cuba, Steelville, Sullivan and Bourbon, Bank of Sullivan's—Cuba Banking Center.

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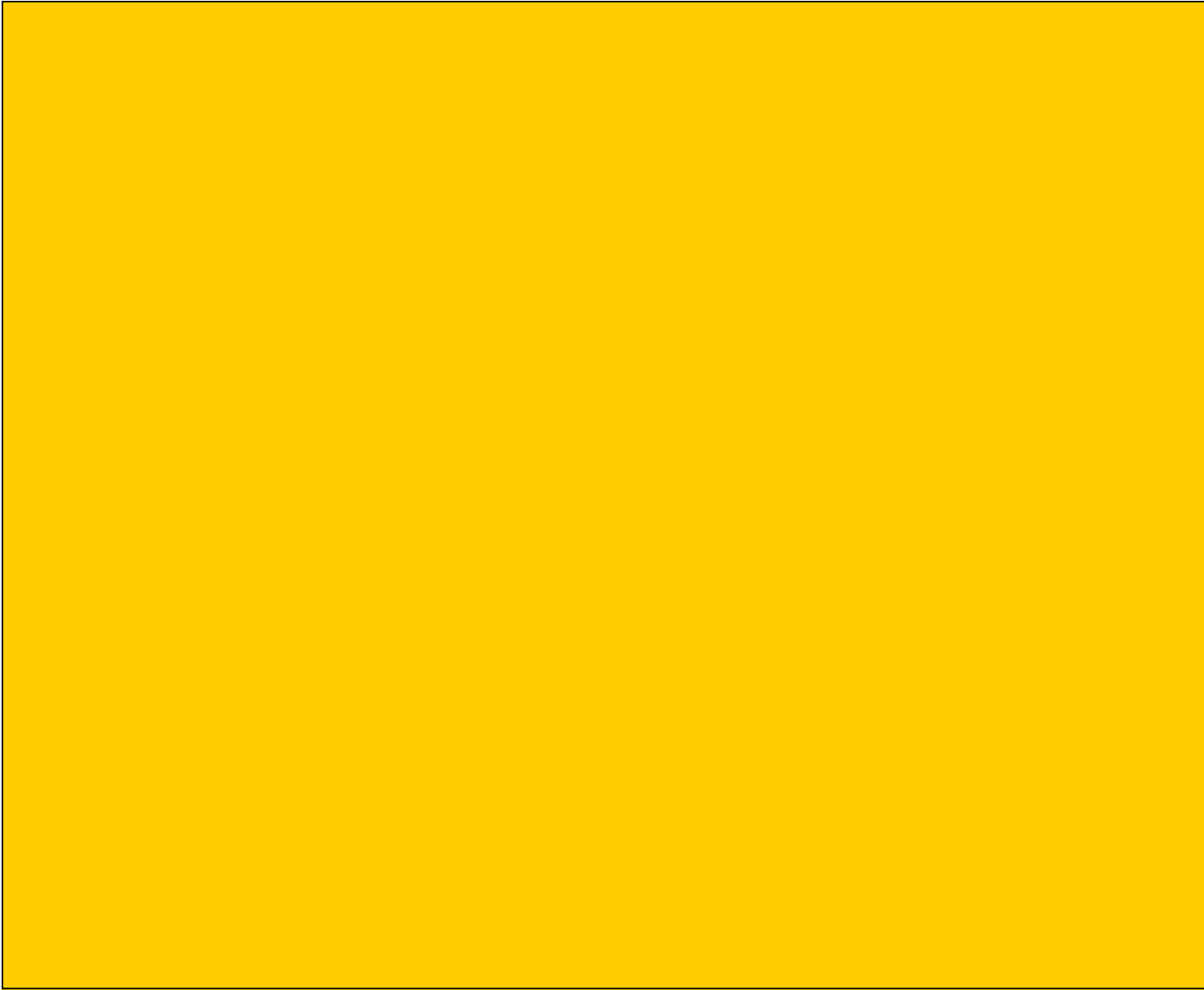
Sign-up Period for Nutrient and Pest Management Cost-share

The GCSWCD is accepting applications for its Nutrient or Pest Management cost-share program from **January 1 - April 15th**. Please contact our office during this period if you are interested in applying.

N590 - Nutrient Management - The purpose is to demonstrate the environmental and economic advantages of following a nutrient management plan. It will provide operators an incentive to encourage the adoption of new management techniques and or technologies for applying manure and fertilizer. The practice may be applied on lands where plant nutrients (commercial fertilizers and/or manure have been improperly applied and the landowner is utilizing a new approach in the application of nutrients. **The land must be eroding at or below the tolerable soil loss level.** Contract payments, not to exceed \$20 per acre may be paid out after October 31 or after the crop is harvested. The lifetime maximum is \$10,000.

N595 - Pest Management - The purpose is to minimize entry of chemical contaminants to ground and surface water by following a pest management plan. The plan will assist the operator in determining whether, when, or how an application of pesticides (herbicide, fungicide, or insecticide) should occur for the crop. The practice may be applied on cropland/hayland/pastureland where pesticides have been inappropriately managed. The grassland or hayland practices must meet either the Forage Harvest Management (511) standard or the Prescribed Grazing (528) specification. A incentive payment of \$10 per acre may be dispersed after October 31st. The lifetime maximum is \$5,000.

The Gasconade County Soil and Water Conservation District does not endorse nor recommend any of the vendors/contractors advertised in this newsletter; furthermore, any contractor/vendor that wishes to be added to the district's contractor/vendor list can be added upon request.



2011 Election Candidates

The GCSWCD will be holding elections for Area I - Richland and Boulware Townships and Area III - Third Creek, Clay, and Bourbois Townships on March 24th from 12 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The polls will be located at the USDA Service Center from 12 - 4:30 p.m. and then will move to the Owensville Middle School from 5 - 7:30 p.m.

Every agricultural landowner in Gasconade County (no matter what area) has the right to vote for the area representatives listed below. The landowners must be listed on the Title of Deed. If owned by a husband and wife, both may vote, however, if the land is in a Trust or other entity, only one person may cast the votes. One vote for **each** Area may be made.

The **Area I** nominating committee, which consisted of Dale Ridder, Gary Seifert, and Nolan Hese-mann have nominated the following candidates:

Connie Cunningham- For the last four years, Connie has been raising Emden and Toulouse Geese utilizing a free range Intensive Grazing system on 80 acres, which was established using EQIP funding. She has hi-tensile fencing for her paddocks and perimeter fences, along with water hydrants in the paddocks. She has a website where she markets her commodity and promotes



other local vendors who sell caviar and veal. She is the co-founder for the Mid-West Ecological Landscaping Association, a member of the Osage Co Agro-Tourist Council, Animal Welfare Approved Certification, Manitou/Osage Bluff Regional Association and the Rhinevalley Association. If elected, Connie can see herself learning more about the programs that are offered as she encourages others to utilize the agricultural practices in a positive way.

Chris Fahrenholtz-Chris and her husband, Jeff, have two children, Samantha and Sara. They have been farming 207 acres on Fowler Road for the last 8 years. They have some row crops, hay, and raise cattle. They have applied no-till planting to their land and practice pasture and crop rotation. If elected she would like to help maintain the positive conservation practices that have been started and are working properly.

Mike Haeffner-Mike and his wife, Susan, have two children and six grandchildren. Mike has been farming for 10 years on their 300 acre farm. They are row cropping soybeans, corn and wheat. Mike is retired from MDC and is currently serving as a substitute teacher at Osage Co. R-1, Chamois. If elected, he would like to make sure the natural resources are protected for future generations. He is a member of the American Legion, VFW,



Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, and the Morrison Volunteer Fire Department.

The **Area III** nominating committee, which consisted of Jerry Lairmore, Henry Meyer, and Roger Loeb have nominated the following candidates:

Gene Rademacher - Gene currently serves as Treasurer for the GCSWCD Board and is seeking re-election.

He and his wife, Jeanne have 4 children. Gene has been farming for 40 years and they currently have 231 acres. They grow grain crops and have livestock and are in a back-grounding program. They currently use no-till farming, creek bank management, grasslands and waterways to control erosion. Gene currently serves on the Three Rivers Elect Board, FCS Financial Board and is a member of the MO Cattleman's. If re-elected, Gene would like to continue to see that the funds are used in a responsible way.



Debra Nowack-Debbie and her husband, Gilbert, have three children and four grandchildren. She has been farming for 38 years on a 280 acre farm on Mint



NOTICE OF ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF GASCONADE COUNTY

To all land representatives of any farms lying within Gasconade County, Missouri, pursuant to the provision of the Missouri Soil and Water Conservation District Law, Sections 278.060 to 278.155 RSMo, 1978 notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of March 2011, between the hours of 12 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. an election will be held to elect the required number of supervisors to the Board of Supervisors of the Soil and Water Conservation District of Gasconade County, Missouri.

All land representatives of any farm lying within Gasconade County, Missouri, are eligible to vote. A land representative is the owner or representative authorized by power-of-attorney of any farm lying within any area of the district; provided, however, that any land representative must be a taxpayer of the county. Eligible voters shall cast their votes at the following polling places.

USDA SERVICE CENTER
12 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
316 Olive Street
Owensville, MO 65066

OWENSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL
5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
3340 Hwy 19N
Owensville, MO 65066

All land representatives so designated by power-of-attorney must present their power-of-attorney form, properly signed, to the polling judges at the time of voting.

Soil and Water Conservation District of Gasconade County
Ron Hardecke, Chairman

Copy of Official Ballot

OFFICIAL BALLOT GASCONADE COUNTY, MISSOURI SUPERVISOR ELECTION

Area I – Richland and Boulware Townships (4 Year Term)

Connie Cunningham	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chris Fahrenholtz	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Haeffner	<input type="checkbox"/>

Area III – Third Creek, Clay, and Bourbois Townships (4 Year Term)

Glen Boettcher	<input type="checkbox"/>
Debra Nowack	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gene Rademacher	<input type="checkbox"/>

Vote for one supervisor in each Area by placing an "X" in the square after his or her name.

Spring Road. They have a registered cow-calf operation specializing in the sale of seed stock. In addition to their own acreage, they rent 300 acres, which is used for pasture and forage production. They use no-till and minimum tillage planting in order to minimize erosion. She is employed as a Program Technician with the Farm Service Agency and has served on the Mo Farm Bureau, University of MO Extension Council and a Gasconade County 4-H leader. If elected, she looks forward to promoting conservation opportunities that are available for the landowners in Gasconade County. She believes that the educational programs provided to the county schools by the SWCD are especially beneficial. endorsing how agriculture and conservation can and should work together.

Glen Boettcher—Glen and his wife, Lolli, have three children. Glen has been farming for 38 years on his family's 1600 acre farm. His timber is under a Stewardship Plan. He has participated in the Conservation

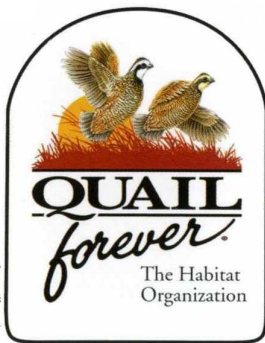


Reserve Program (CRP) by establishing riparian buffers and tree plantings. He is also participating in the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) and the State Cost-share program. He has been a member of 4-H, County Extension, Farm Bureau, Presbyterian Church, Conservation Federation, Quail Unlimited, and Ozark Regional Land Trust. If elected he would promote good soil and water conservation practices to both youth and adults in Gasconade County through education and cost-share incentives.

NRCS NEWS

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) sign-ups are being taken until January 21st.

Watch your local newspapers for the upcoming Organic Sign-up and the Energy Audit Sign-up



Four Rivers Quail Forever
February 5, 2011
Owensville Lions Hall

Annual Banquet

5:30 pm Social – 7:00 pm Dinner

Single with membership \$40
Spouse/Whistler/Member \$15
Sponsorship \$250

☐ Membership Dinner ☐ Spouse Dinner ☐ Whistlers Dinner

Thank You to Quail Forever's Proud Sponsors



Day with Wildlife



*Knights of Columbus Hall
Vienna, MO
February 26, 2011
10:00 - 3:00 pm*

Activities for the entire Family



UPCOMING GRAZING SCHOOLS

- ♦ April 14-15, Rolla Grazing School, call 573-364-6202 x 3
- ♦ May 12-13, Tri-County Grazing School (Maries County), call 573-437-3478 x 3 or 573-422-3342

These grazing schools meet the state requirement for the grazing system cost-share program. They also provide points if applying for EQIP funding.

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Dates to Remember

January 17, 2011	Martin Luther King Day, Office Closed
January 21, 2011	Deadline to sign-up for CSP
January 27, 2011	Deadline to sign-up for CCPI Streambank Grant
February 1, 2011	Board of Supervisors Mtg, USDA Service Center, 7 p.m.
February 5, 2011	Quail Forever Banquet, Owensville Lions Hall
February 14, 2011	Forage & Beef Conference, KC Hall, Cuba, MO 1 p.m.
February 24, 2011	Poster Contest Entries Due
February 26, 2011	Day W/Wildlife, KC Hall, Vienna, MO 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
March 2, 2011	Board of Supervisors Mtg, USDA Service Center, 7 p.m.
March 13, 2011	Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 24, 2011	Annual Meeting/Election, Owensville Middle School 6 p.m.
April 5, 2011	Board of Supervisors Mtg, USDA Service Center 8 p.m.
Jan 1 - April 15	Sign-up Period for Nutrient and Pest Management Practices

Effective January 1, 2011

**The Gasconade County SWCD
Board of Supervisor meetings
will be held on the first Tuesday
of every month.**

Gasconade County SWCD Equipment

**LEASE AGREEMENT MUST BE ON
FILE AT THE SWCD OFFICE BEFORE
EQUIPMENT CAN BE RENTED.**

**Drill charge: Minimum charge of
\$90.00 for less than 10 acres usage.
An additional \$9.00 will be charged
for each additional acre under 50
acres. There will be an \$8.00 per
acre charge for 50 acres or more.**

For Scheduling of equipment, please call
the SWCD office at 573-437-3478 ext 3,
unless other wise indicated.

- ◇ John Deere 10 ft no-till drill is
located at James Miller, Second
Creek Farms, 2828 Hwy 19
Owensville. Call 573-690-9065 or
314-609-7905 to schedule.
- ◇ Great Plains 7 ft no-till drill with
warm season box is located at the
SWCD office.

Located at the SWCD Office:

- ◇ Rotowiper - \$25 a day
- ◇ Burn Equipment - \$50 deposit, \$10
use charge
- ◇ ATV Equipment (Seeder, Sprayer,
Disk) - \$100 deposit, \$20 a day each
piece or \$50 for all three
- ◇ ATV Warm Season Grass Seeder—no
charge—Donated by Quail Unlimited
- ◇ Soil Probe - no charge